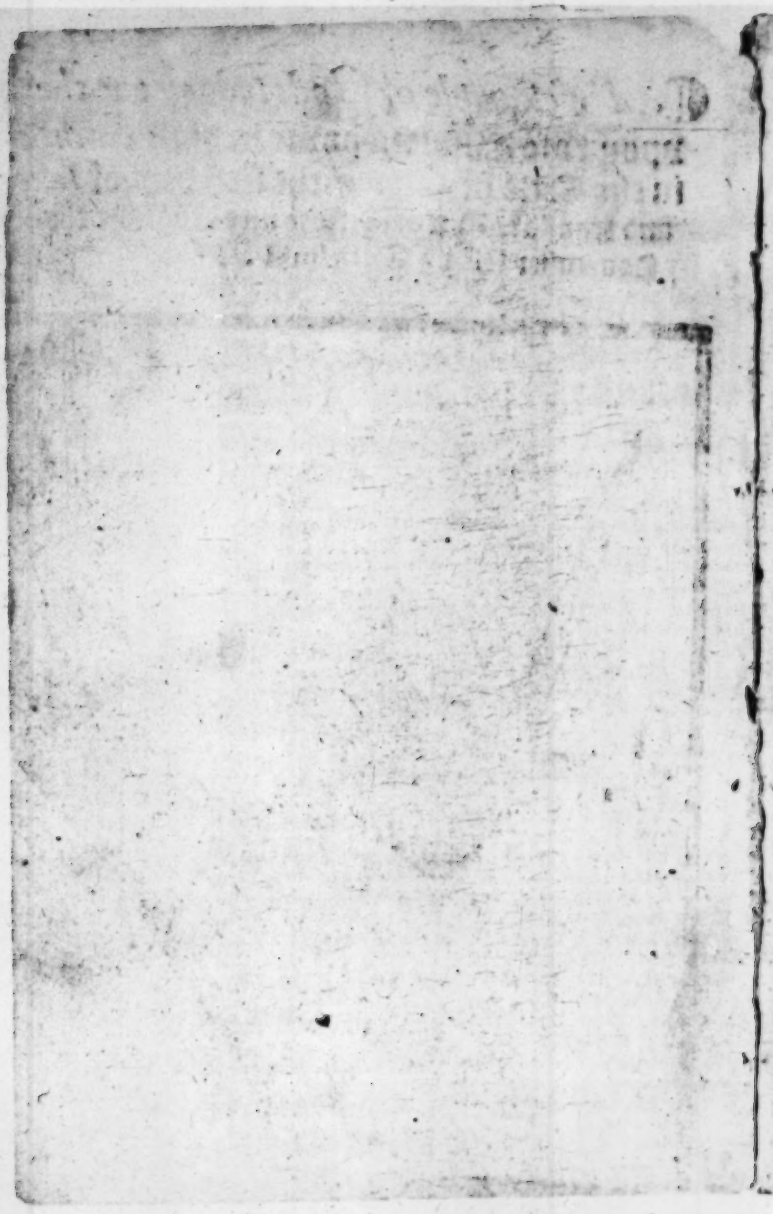


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**A**n example of Gods iudgement shew  
vpon two Childzen bozne in high Dutch Land  
in the Citie of Luttslof, the first day of Iulie.  
and translated out of Dutche into Englishe the 6.  
November last, by Cornelius Pet.





## ¶ To the Reader.



Early beloved Brethren like as daily wee see the wonderful works of GOD, to advertise vs to the amendment of our sinful wicked & detestable lives, befoze hee dooth plague vs, like as alwaile hee is good and merciful and doth not punish vs according vnto our defaults, but sendeth vs first Signes and tokens to aduise vs of his ire which wee so rightly deserue for our so little regarding & esteeming of his most holy word and gospel. But wee daily neglecting and not regarding the same:

Hee therefore hath not only sent hydeous Monstrs and fearfull Signes, vnto those where they were bozne and seene: but aswel vnto vs, yea and rather vnto vs because wee haue the sincere

To the Reader.

Doctrine and Gospel of Christe  
to hymes and preached yea so cr  
nely to see forth and so diligently  
inserted, and yet wee nothing re  
garde y same. But like stubburn  
and obstinate children runned  
long into our damnation.

Wherefore wee haue to giue  
the greater account of the time  
which wee haue spent (when we  
shall come and appere before the  
Iudgement seat of GOD the  
more righteous Iudge) wherefore  
dearly beloved let vs not be like  
those of Sodom, Gomorra, Ierusalem  
and many other Cities which  
would not chuse of the tokens  
and signes which God sent the.

Wm let vs repent with those of  
Ninive and pray vnto GOD for  
mercy and humble our selues be  
fore him. Then will hee not extend  
his wrath vpon vs. But  
be in euill vnto vs.

# The Description of



His Childe (Secretly  
Belovued, which y<sup>e</sup>  
first sighted before  
the birth, was born  
the day and year a

boone written, being in all pro-  
portion as thou seest it here pre-  
sented. The head of y<sup>e</sup> said Childe  
was to be compared in all points  
like unto a Bishops face. In  
all other points a l<sup>l</sup> proportion-  
ness save the hands which were  
as the picture doth represent  
the right hand a white, and y<sup>e</sup>  
left hand a red, the other points  
firmable as a Childe ought to  
be, but y<sup>e</sup> Countesse of this Childe  
was to be compared unto a Ne-  
gro, or Blackamore. (The which  
Childe) lived the space of thre  
dayes, in the which dayes it did  
wonderfully speak these  
wordes following.

Be the warres of men not yet

*two strange Children.*

doon? Make peace, Make peace  
in all Countries for the L O R D  
will come and punish the Earth,  
with sword and Rod, as my  
hands doo represent. And also  
hee said amend you in all Coun-  
tries for there will such a mortali-  
tie come, yea such a sudain death  
that one shall say vnto an other/  
Oh. Brother where haue you  
been that you are not dead:  
These were the wordes of the  
first Child, which as I  
haue said before is heere  
portrayed vnto  
thee. Therefore  
repent of  
thy  
former offences.

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*The Description of the other Child.*





— The Vision of the Child.





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The description of the other  
Childe.



The other Childe my  
beloved had this  
proportion, that is  
to say. It had two  
heads to good four  
age, but that it was upon the one  
that very black like as the other  
was. And the other white, and  
as good comely as may be, and  
nothing to be seen in the propor-  
tion that seemed strange, but  
only black and white. This o-  
ther Childe lived also these days.  
It did move self but con-  
stantly to weep and made  
great lamentation. In so much  
that every one lamented to see  
this pitiful spectacle, and the  
third day they both dyed.

These Children were borne in  
Lutlof, foure miles distant from  
Stratford, in the which Citie,  
the name was first published, to  
the

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the great comfort of the Body /  
and to the wisshes a terror and  
greefe of minde.

The father of these Children  
was named *Rahab Males*, and the  
Mother that bare them I had to  
name *Rahab's Parents*. He was  
of the age of fiftie yeeres when  
he bare them in the year 1601.  
At the time of their death, he  
such a generous Willing man  
next them of the City: that there  
died in y<sup>e</sup> dayes the two  
said persons. He was of some  
sitteing at meat with them  
in their mouthes. And the same  
was of his much abundance that  
is perished in the City. The  
lack of those that would gather  
it in for the people lay in secret  
as in a hole, or in a hole, and there bare  
none gather it in.

There have some supposed  
this to be but lies and fables.

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of the other Childe:

but indeed they are the very hand  
by woorkes of God and I would  
wish those Unbeleeuers to be ad  
uertised from their vnbeleef and  
forsake their sinnes, least when  
it is to late they doo repent.

Wee haue a fearful beginning  
amongst vs of Louin, of Maistreicht  
of Aken, at Namure, at Sitteret,  
at Antwerp, where the People  
died of the plague by heapes, for  
there hath died of the plague  
commonly three hundred a week.

Thus wishing you Christian  
Bretheren to take example by  
our plagues to receive the glori-  
ous Gospel of our Lorde  
and forsake your sins,  
I bid you farewell.

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TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF THE  
NAVY  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

SIR:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst., in relation to the above-captioned subject.

The Bureau has no objection to the proposed action, and it is recommended that you proceed as suggested.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. [Signature]

Enclosure

